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United Nations Educational,
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Paris, France
LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS
AND OTHER PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

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Report of: SA

Date and Place: September 14, 1955
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Rebulet to Memphis 8/26/55 with copy to SF enclosing
Photostats of Identification and Personnel Data form on
JOHNSON and material concerning JOHNSON received from CSC.

Enclosures reveal that JOHNSON has not resided
or been employed in the SF Division and that none of his
relatives or references reside here. Attached to the
Identification and Personnel Data form are five pages
listing organizations in which JOHNSON held membership
or was otherwise affiliated. One of these was a Committee
for a Free Asia, in which JOHNSON indicated he was a
member of the Board of Directors.

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There is no pertinent information concerning
JOHNSON or his wife in the SF files.

In view of the above no report will be submitted
by SF. RUC.

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
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REPORT MADE AT MINNEAPOLIS	DATE WHEN MADE 9/14/55	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/6,12/55	REPORT MADE BY SA pwg
TITLE CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON, Applicant United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Paris,		CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL	
<div style="text-align: center;">France ORGANIZATIONS</div> <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>JOHNSON member of University of Oslo, Norway Summer School Advisory Committee in U. S. A., which has Admissions Office at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-RUC-</p> <p>REFERENCE:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bureau letter to Memphis dated 8/26/55.</p>			
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United Nations Educational
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LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED
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ORGANIZATIONS

September 14, 1955
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RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

[redacted]
[redacted] in the United States of America of the University of Oslo, Norway Summer School Admissions Office at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, advised on September 6, 1955, that Dr. CHARLES S. JOHNSON, President of Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, is a member of the University of Oslo, Norway Summer School Advisory Committee in the United States of America.

She said that in this position, he, as well as the other members of this Committee in the United States of America, act as contacts in the field of education in this country insofar as advising the Admissions Office at Northfield, Minnesota, of appropriate educational institutions in this country from which to recruit the best qualified and representative United States students for admission to the University of Oslo, Norway Summer School.

[redacted] advised that Mr. JOHNSON has been a member of this Committee for about two years and that she personally met him only once, which was for a very short time, in Oslo, Norway, in the summer of 1953.

She advised that he has the reputation of being a very competent and excellent representative of the field of higher education in the United States.

She said that as far as she knows, he is of good character and reputation and she has no reason to question his loyalty to this Government.

She pointed out that she is the only representative of the University of Oslo, Norway Summer School at Northfield, Minnesota, and that, to her knowledge, JOHNSON has never been in this locality.

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September 14, 1955
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Birmingham, Alabama
September 15, 1955

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RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

[redacted] advised when interviewed in connection with a previous investigation in 1951, that he recalls applicant as an instructor at Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, for several years and he believed applicant was President of Fisk University at that time. He said he did not know whether applicant was connected with the Southern Negro Youth Congress in Birmingham, Alabama.

[redacted] advised when interviewed in connection with a previous investigation in 1951, that he was a member of the SNYC in Birmingham during the early 1940's and that he was a member of the National Council of the SNYC. [redacted] stated he worked with the local YMCA at the American Cast Iron Pipe Company during the early 1940's and that a [redacted] connected with the SNYC at that time, made a speech at the YMCA at ACIPCO. He explained that [redacted] discussed the SNYC with him and apparently [redacted] placed his name on the membership of the National Council. [redacted] said he later saw a copy of "Cavalcade", a magazine published by the SNYC, and noticed that his name was listed as a member of the National Council of that organization. He stated that he recalled, among several other names listed, the name of CHARLES S. JOHNSON of Fisk University. He said he definitely recalled that JOHNSON was interested in the SNYC and was considered on the National Council, although as far as he, [redacted] recalled, the National Council did not have any group meetings. [redacted] stated that in his opinion the names on the National Council were used as "bait" to secure other members for the SNYC. He stated at the time he was interested in the SNYC he did not know there were any Communists in the organization, but he later learned that several of the leading members of this group were believed to be Communists.

[redacted] advised he did not know applicant personally and did not attend any meetings with him.

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, and who is a former member of the Communist Party of Alabama, advised when interviewed in connection with a previous investigation in 1951, that he recalled applicant was listed as a member and possibly an official in an advisory capacity to the SNYC. [redacted] said he had known of applicant for many years as a professor at Fisk University at Nashville, Tennessee, and that applicant asked him, [redacted] several years ago to make a speech to the student body at Fisk University. [redacted] said applicant, so far as he knew, was not a member of the Communist Party.

The Southern Negro Youth Congress has been cited by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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[REDACTED]	Re knowledge of applicant.	12-10-51	[REDACTED]	BH 123-246

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Applicant
United Nations Educational, Scientific
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Paris, France
LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS
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Report of: Special Agent

Date and Place: September 15, 1955,
Birmingham, Alabama

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REPORT MADE AT CLEVELAND	DATE WHEN MADE 9-15-55	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-29,30; 9-14-55	REPORT MADE BY hs
TITLE CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON, Applicant, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Paris, France.			CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] of National Consumers League, Cleveland, Ohio, concerning which no security data available, confirms applicant's membership on League's Citizens Committee on Migratory Labor. [redacted]
[redacted] needs of the nation with applicant and knows him professionally only, recommends him for character and loyalty and believes him free from Communist sympathies and associations. [redacted]
[redacted] investigated under Executive Orders 9835 and 10450 - "eligible on loyalty", 1952.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Memphis, 8-26-55.

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Paris, France.
LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE
UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER
PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

September 15, 1955,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

The Identification and Personnel Data form of CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON dated August 15, 1955, reflects that from 1952 to an unspecified date he was a member of the Citizens Committee on Migratory Labor of the National Consumers League, 348 Engineers Building, Cleveland, 14, Ohio.

The files of the Cleveland Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation contain no information of a security type concerning the National Consumers League or the Citizens Committee on Migratory Labor.

On September 14, 1955, [redacted] National Consumers League, advised that in 1952 at her request Dr. CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON, as an authority on migratory labor, became a member of the Citizens Committee on Migratory Labor of the National Consumers League. By way of clarification [redacted] pointed out that the basic purpose of the League, which is supported by privately raised funds, is to represent the public interest in good labor standards. Prior to 1952, [redacted] related, the League received a substantial grant from the estate of one of its deceased members "to go into" the problems of migratory workers. Pursuant to the objectives of this grant, [redacted] stated, the Citizens Committee on

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Migratory Labor was set up by the League to "work with" a subcommittee of the United States Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. [] stated that some members of the Citizens Committee testified before the subcommittee, but that Dr. JOHNSON was not called upon, and that, in effect, his membership "was merely on paper".

[] advised that the national headquarters offices of the National Consumers League are in Cleveland, Ohio, and that the organization is not connected with any other organization of similar name.

Continuing, [] advised that although she had known of Dr. JOHNSON as a distinguished leader in sociology for many years, she first met him personally in 1952 when both were members of President TRUMAN's Commission on Health Needs of the Nation. [] stated that Dr. JOHNSON was highly regarded by the members of the Commission, to the best of her knowledge, and that she had been impressed by his strength of character, good judgment, and sound conservatism, as exhibited in his views expressed to the Commission. Emphasizing that she knows Dr. JOHNSON professionally only, [] asserted that no information reflecting adversely on Dr. JOHNSON's character, morals, or associates has ever come to her attention.

[] described Dr. JOHNSON as essentially a person who cherishes democratic principles. She does not question his loyalty to the United States, and noted that, so far as she knows, there has never been a "breath of suspicion" as to his patriotism. [] volunteered the statement that, unlike a few of the leaders of his race, Dr. JOHNSON had never "fallen" for the Communist Party line that the Party was sincerely interested in the welfare of the members of his race. In this connection, [] observed that Dr. JOHNSON impressed her as frank and outspoken in his views, and that in conversing with him she had never detected the slightest tinge of Communist sympathy. She expressed doubt that Dr. JOHNSON, whom she regards as a sensible, realistic man, would be credulous enough to be duped into lending his name to any Communist or Communist front enterprises. With respect to this observation, [] said that over the years she has frequently seen

prominent and respected names on literature of organizations she believed to be tainted by Communist influence, but has never seen Dr. JOHNSON's name on such lists. [redacted] knows of no associations, no foreign ties, and no lack of discretion on Dr. JOHNSON's part which might render him a security risk to the United States, and recommends him for any position of trust and confidence for which his professional training would qualify him.

The Communist Party, USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[redacted] was investigated in 1948 pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order 9835 and results of investigation were transmitted to the Civil Service Commission under the caption [redacted]
[redacted]

The Loyalty Review Board advised by letter dated September 12, 1948, that [redacted] resigned or otherwise separated from Federal service prior to a decision on loyalty. Subsequently the Loyalty Review Board advised by letter dated June 4, 1952, that [redacted] was considered "Eligible on loyalty," and set forth her position as Commissioner, President's Commission on Health Needs of the Nation, Washington, D. C.

Additional investigation of [redacted] was conducted in April and May, 1954, pursuant to Executive Order 10450, and results of investigation were transmitted to the Civil Service Commission under the caption previously indicated.

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[redacted] was absent on an extended vacation until September 14, 1955. She stated specifically that her organization had no connection with Consumers Union. Report of SA [redacted] dated March 19, 1948, at Cleveland, in the LGE case on [redacted] (Bu file 121-864) sets out considerable information re the National Consumers League and notes that the [redacted] [redacted] was one of its Presidents.

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Report of: Special Agent

Date and Place: September 15, 1955,
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON presently affiliated with Southern Regional Education Board and Southern Regional Council, both Atlanta, Ga. JOHNSON not known to have resided in Atlanta area. Information concerning Southern Regional Council set forth. No credit or criminal record located Atlanta, Ga.

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REFERENCE: Bulet to Memphis, 8/26/55.

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September 15, 1955
Atlanta, Georgia

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

[redacted] Southern Regional Education Board, 881 Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, advised on September 8, 1955, that Dr. CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON has been affiliated with the Southern Regional Education Board in various capacities for the past seven years. He stated he has been acquainted with Dr. JOHNSON for approximately fifteen years on a professional basis as a fellow educator. [redacted] advised that Dr. JOHNSON's present affiliation with the Southern Regional Education Board requires him to be in Atlanta possibly three or four times a year to attend meetings, and that to his knowledge Dr. JOHNSON has never resided in the Atlanta area. He stated that Dr. JOHNSON is a very prominent and capable educator in the United States, and that he has no reason to question his loyalty to the United States or the Democratic form of government. He stated he considers Dr. JOHNSON to be an individual of good moral character and excellent reputation, and stated he was not acquainted with Dr. JOHNSON's social acquaintances. He stated that based on his knowledge of Dr. JOHNSON he would not hesitate to recommend him for any position of trust and confidence.

[redacted] Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, advised on September 8, 1955, that Dr. CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON has been

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affiliated with the Southern Regional Council in various capacities since 1944. [] stated that Dr. JOHNSON has served as Chairman of the Executive Committee for several years during his period of membership in the Southern Regional Council. He stated that Dr. JOHNSON attends meetings of the Southern Regional Council on the average of one a year in the Atlanta area and that Dr. JOHNSON has never resided in the Atlanta area to his knowledge. He stated that he has been acquainted with Dr. JOHNSON for many years prior to 1944 and that he considers him to be the outstanding Negro educator in the United States. He stated that he would not hesitate to recommend Dr. JOHNSON for any position of trust and confidence, and advised he considers him to be an individual of excellent moral character, associates and reputation, and a completely loyal citizen.

[] advised on May 7, 1953, that he resided at [] and he was the []

[] He stated he wished to refute an allegation made in a periodical entitled, "One Methodist Voice", dated April 19, 1953, published at Clayton, Georgia, [] Clayton, Georgia, alleging that [] was a Communist Party sympathizer. [] stated he was not and had never been a member of the Communist Party or knowingly belonged to any Communist Party front organization. [] stated he considered himself to be anti-Communist, and believed the attack made upon him could be attributed to the fact that he was connected with the Southern Regional Council.

[] made available in March of 1945, information to the effect that one of the main problems of the Southern Regional Council was that of international peace. Information furnished by [] further identified the Southern Regional Council as follows:

The Southern Regional Council was the outgrowth of the consciousness among progressive Southerners of the need for a Southwide agency for the promotion of constructive social and economic reforms. Another factor contributing to the formation of the Southern Regional Council was the

Durham-Atlanta-Richmond Conferences of 1942-1943, in which Southern leaders, white and Negro, met together to work for a better South. The Southern Regional Council was chartered by the State of Georgia on January 5, 1944, and held its charter meeting on February 16, 1944.

The Council represents the forward-looking conscience and efforts of liberal Southerners to give Democracy a chance in the South. Although it is bi-racial in membership and staff, it is not exclusively a "race relations" organization. It believes in the improvement of economic, civic, political and educational conditions for the good of all the people.

The Southern Regional Council is a membership organization and is controlled by its members who make decisions on policy and program. The annual meeting is held in Atlanta, Georgia, on second Wednesday in October, and every member in good standing is entitled to vote either in person or by proxy. The Council is composed of a Board of Directors elected by the members; an Executive Committee and five standing committees, elected by the Board of Directors, and an Executive Staff which devotes its time to the promotion of the Council's program.

The Council believes the best methods for promoting social progress are honest discussion and cooperation, rather than agitation. Its functions are: (1) Research and survey to determine the facts and possibilities of constructive social action; (2) Educational work through publications, press, radio and personal contacts; (3) Cooperation with other agencies having liberal and humanitarian aims; (4) Consultative services to private or public agencies, and (5) The formation of constructive plans and proposals for the South that could be.

The Council operates in thirteen Southern states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Virginia. Its voting members reside in these states. While the Council has a "regional" approach, it is not a defensive organization. It has declared its willingness to cooperate with like-minded organizations of a state, regional or national scope.

According to information furnished to [redacted] in March, 1954, [redacted] Congress of Industrial Organization-Political Action Committee, Atlanta, Georgia, was listed as one of the sixty members of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council.

In the April 12, 1947, issue of the "Atlanta News Digest," [redacted] of the Farm Security Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, and more recently of the Congress of Industrial Organization-Political Action Committee, was described as being appointed the Executive Director of the Southern Regional Council.

During a prior investigation in July, 1944, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation while in the presence of [redacted] noted that [redacted] of the Southern Negro Youth Congress. [redacted] personally contacted [redacted] in regard to a speech [redacted] was to make at an undesignated place. This Special Agent stated that [redacted] inquired from [redacted] whether the aims of the Southern Negro Youth Congress were the same as those of the National Negro Congress, and [redacted] replied that they were the same in substance. [redacted] according to this Special Agent, stated he was not in accord with some of the leaders of the National Negro Congress.

The Southern Negro Youth Congress and the National Negro Congress have been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

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[redacted] who has furnished both reliable and unreliable information in the past, advised in September, 1944, that [redacted] a member of the Communist Political Association, advised informant that [redacted] was also a member of the Communist Political Association.

The Communist Party and the Communist Political Association have been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] had addressed a leadership school of the Southern Negro Youth Congress which was held at Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, on August 9, 1944.

The files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Washington, D. C., reflect that an article appeared in the "Evening Star," Washington, D. C., dated August 9, 1928, and concerned the Brockwood College, Katonah, New York. This article identified [redacted] as an endorser of the Brockwood College and stated students of Brookwood have taken part in many labor and college strikes. The philosophy of Marx influences all of the subjects at the liberal college.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 4, 1944, that [redacted] the Communist Party, USA, District No. 7, Birmingham, Alabama, in conversation, referred to [redacted] of Atlanta, Georgia.

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Careful consideration has been given to each source that is concealed in this report and T-symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identity of the source must be concealed.

INFORMANTS

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The Special Agent of the FBI referred to on Page 4 of this report is SA [redacted] Atlanta Division. who interviewed [redacted] of the CIO, Political Action Committee, in connection with the investigation then being conducted by the Bureau of the Political Action Committee at the request of the Department of Justice. The results of SA [redacted] investigation in 7/44 were reported to the Bureau in the report of SA [redacted] dated 7/29/44 at Atlanta, entitled "POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE OF THE CIO; SIDNEY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN; JOHN ABT, COUNSEL; LEE PRESSMAN, COUNSEL; WAR LABOR DISPUTES ACT; FEDERAL CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT; HATCH ACT".

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In the April 12, 1947, issue of the "Atlanta News Digest", [redacted]

During a prior investigation in July 1947
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The Southern Negro Youth Congress and the National Negro Congress have been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

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[redacted] a former member of the Communist Party, advised on October 17, 1951, that [redacted] and that during 1934 and 1935 was [redacted] of the Communist Party in North and South Carolina. According to [redacted] during 1935 and 1936 [redacted] was [redacted] for the Communist Party in Kentucky. [redacted] stated [redacted] is an [redacted] for the Communist Party, having contributed articles to the "Daily Worker", the East Coast

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Special Agent

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No reference was made in the report to the Institute of International Education, Inc., of which the applicant lists himself as a member of the Board of Trustees. It is noted that in the reBulet, the CSC report contains a complete documentation of this organization. It is further noted that for NY to document this organization it would have to rely on information furnished by the CSC, Washington, D. C.

The applicant also lists himself as the vice chairman of the American Committee for Cultural Freedom, Inc.

Information contained in the NY files is not considered sufficiently significant to include in the report.

The information consists of the following:

"The New Leader," issue of 11/13/50, on pages 15-19 contains an article entitled "A Message to Americans" concerning the Congress for Cultural Freedom. This article indicates that the Congress originated from a meeting held in Berlin on June 25 (year not mentioned), which meeting included "some of the finest minds in the Western world" men, from France, Italy, Great Britain, West Germany, North and South America, who deliberated on the "fate of freedom." According to this article the nature of the Congress is best described in its own manifesto, which held among other things that freedom of the spirit is an inalienable right; and that the theory and practice of totalitarianism are the greatest threat which humanity has faced. The manifesto concluded: "We address this to all men who are determined to defend existing freedom, to win back those which have been lost, and to establish new areas of freedom."

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The New York "Brooklyn Eagle," issue of 7/13/53, contained an item which reflected that four professors speaking for the American Committee for Cultural Freedom, had stated that a Communist is professionally disqualified as a scholar and teacher, but that the minute number on U.S. college campuses has little influence and poses no threat. This group indicated that no imaginable legislation could flow from the Congressional inquiries then under way concerning educators. They said the probes only serve to place the teaching profession "under a perpetual cloud of distrust."

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, on 2/18/54, made available to SA [redacted] and SE [redacted] information reflecting that the American Committee for Cultural Freedom had had a yearly subscription to the "Daily Worker" and "The Worker," expiring 1/25/54.

JOHNSON lists himself as a member of the Council Against Intolerance in America from 1953 to the present.

The ONI, 3 ND, advised in March, 1942, that "subject organization membership is an admixture of political outlooks. It includes Communists, Conservatives, Pacifists and Liberals. The person who seems to exert the most influence is [redacted] who is markedly pro-Communist. Subject cannot be considered a front organization....."

The ONI indicated the reliability of this information to be B-7. This information was marked confidential.

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RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

United Nations
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[redacted] United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization office, advised on August 31, 1955, that CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON is an applicant under consideration to attend the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization conference to be held in Paris, France, from September 19 to 23, 1955, in the division of social science. She stated that he is also being considered for another United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization assignment.

Reference

[redacted]
[redacted] advised on September 12, 1955, that he had known CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON for approximately [redacted]. He said that Dr. JOHNSON serves as a consultant to the John Hay Whitney Foundation and has been so employed for the past six years. He said that Mr. JOHNSON is very well known in the field of education and that he has been for some years the president of Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee.

[redacted] said that he would be very glad to endorse Dr. JOHNSON for any responsible position. He said that he had found him to be a man of extremely good character and that his loyalty and patriotism are above reproach. He said that he had no knowledge of any organizations to which Dr. JOHNSON might belong. He stated that the only member of the JOHNSON family with whom he was acquainted is

[redacted] impressed him very favorably.

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Miscellaneous

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A photostatic copy of this article is attached to each copy of this report and is marked Exhibit A.

"The Worker" is the Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper.

The indices of the New York office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation contain no information identifiable with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Representatives of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation and the Bureau of Criminal Identification of the New York City Police Department advised on August 31 and September 2, 1955, that the files of these departments contain no information relating to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, as checked by [REDACTED] on September 2, 1955, contain no information relating to [REDACTED]

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A copy of this report is designated for the Memphis division since applicant resides in that territory.

The interview with [] was conducted telephonically at his specific request.

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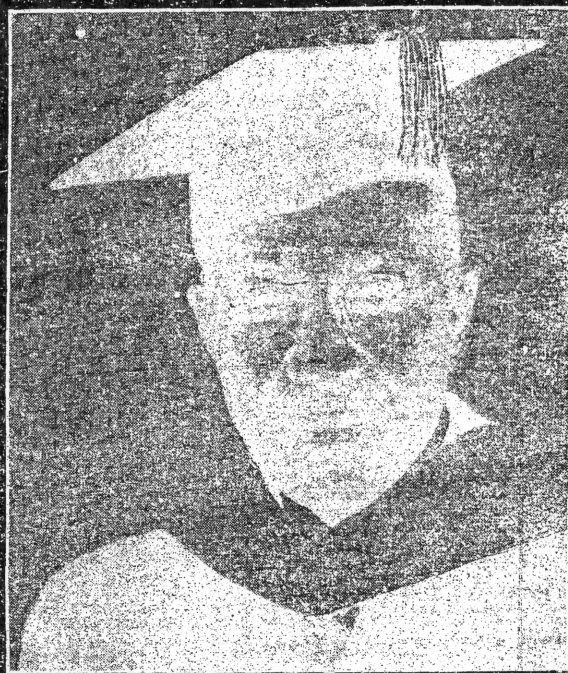
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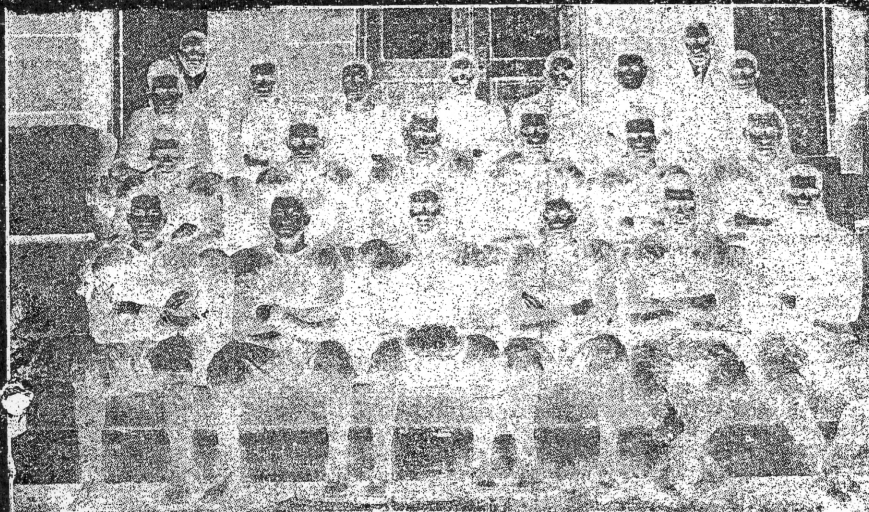
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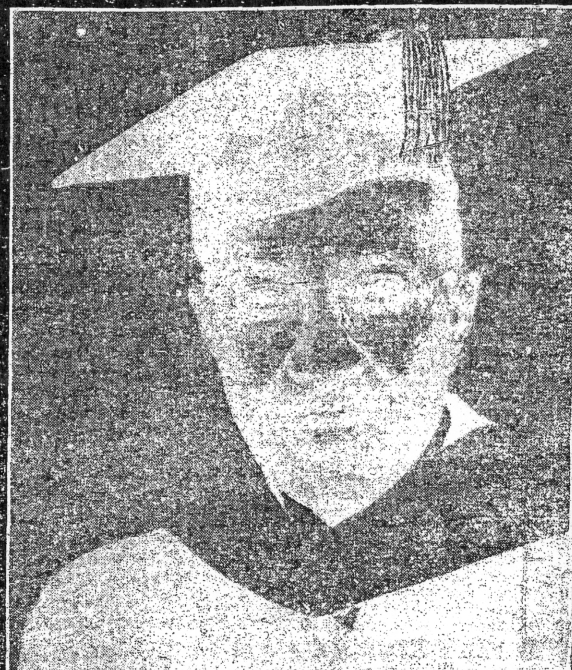
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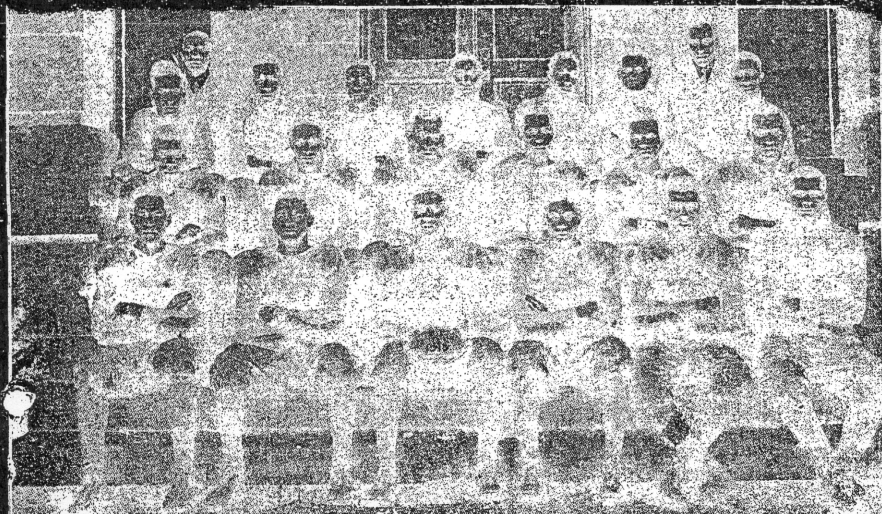
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THE AUTHOR, FISK FOOTBALL STAR—James W. Ford, Fisk Class of 1918, is shown here (third from right, front row). He was halfback on Fisk's All-Southern Championship Team. A three-letter man, he was in baseball, football and track.

Exhibit A.

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LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS
AND OTHER PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

This will record receipt of the telephone call at
2:45 P. M., September 15, 1955, from [redacted]
[redacted] of the UN Loyalty Board.

[redacted] inquired as to the status of the cases
concerning [redacted] and
Charles S. Johnson.

After checking, [redacted] was advised at 12:50 P. M.
that the [redacted] case was being transmitted to the Civil Service
Commission on today's date, September 15, 1955. He was told
that it was expected that the [redacted] case would be sent to
the Civil Service Commission on September 16, 1955; that the
Johnson case was still under investigation and it was not possible
at this time to tell him just when the investigation would be
completed.

[redacted] said that he had inquiries from the State
Department and UNESCO concerning these cases and would appreciate
expeditious handling of them. He said if it would be permissible
with the Bureau he would send someone over to pick up the [redacted]
case if it had been approved for transmission to the Civil Service
Commission. After checking with the mail room it was determined
that the mail room was in possession of this report and in
accordance with information received from the mail room [redacted]
was informed that this report would be delivered personally to him
within the next half hour by someone from the Bureau. [redacted]
requested that it be delivered to him in [redacted]

[redacted] in the mail room was
furnished this address and he said the reports would be furnished
[redacted] promptly by courier service.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. The foregoing is for your information.

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cc: {1} [redacted]
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Transmit the following message via AIRTELAIRMAIL

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From SAC, SEATTLE (138-235)

To: DIRECTOR (138-3218)

CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON,
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Re Bureau airtel 9/14/55.

Refer to Seattle airtel 9/13/55 advising that no
report being submitted inasmuch as no additional investigation
required by Seattle Division.

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FBI, SAN FRANCISCO (138-665)

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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DIRECTOR, FBI (138-3218)

CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON
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DATE: 07-10-2007

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DATED 07-16-2007

Rebuairtel and SF airtel to Bureau, both dated 9/14/55.

Referenced SF airtel states that in view of the information that JOHNSON's only connection with SF was his association with the Committee for a Free Asia, [redacted] with address in San Francisco, no report will be submitted. RUC

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CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON, UN, SGE

Rebuairtel 9/14/55.

Pending report submitted. ☐ Security Office - State
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

AIR-TEL

Transmit the following message to: September 19, 1955

SAC, New York (138-2557)

Charles Spurgeon Johnson, UN.

Reurlet dated September 15, last. Submit data
in supplemental report by return mail.

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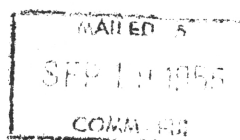
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

AIR-TEL

Transmit the following message to:

September 19, 1955

SAC, Birmingham (138-57)

Charles Spurgeon Johnson, UN.

Re your report dated September 15, last. It does not appear that [redacted] was reinterviewed in connection with current investigation. Reinterview for any additional information and determine willingness to furnish signed statement and to testify before International Organizations Employees Loyalty Board. Submit supplemental report by return mail without fail.

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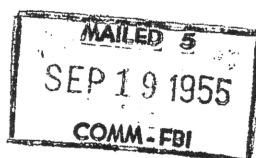
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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Transmit the following message to:

September 19, 1955

SAC, Memphis

Charles Spurgeon Johnson, UN.

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recommendations for administrative action.

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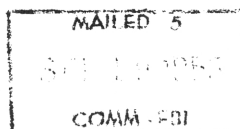
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DIRECTOR, FBI

CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON, UN.

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TO
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FROM : 138-321838

Assistant Attorney General
William F. Tompkins
Director, FBI

DATE: November 10, 1955

Attention:
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SUBJECT:

**CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON
LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS
AND OTHER PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Reference is made to this Bureau's memorandum dated
September 21, 1955 furnishing copies of reports covering an
investigation conducted concerning the captioned individual.
These reports were furnished for information and consideration
as to whether the evidence developed indicated a violation of
any Federal law.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of this Bureau's letter
of this date to the U. S. Civil Service Commission together
with a copy of its enclosure containing further information
regarding the captioned matter. This is being furnished to
supplement the data previously forwarded to the Department in
this case.

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Handwritten signatures and initials:
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BY COURIER SERVICE

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Date: November 10, 1955

To: Mr. Kimbell Johnson
Chief, Investigations Division
U. S. Civil Service Commission
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON
LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS
AND OTHER PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Reference is made to my letter dated September 21, 1955, which transmitted reports of investigation concerning captioned individual under the provisions of Executive Order 10422.

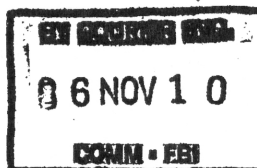
Additional information has been received which is set forth in the report of Special Agent [redacted] at Washington, D. C., dated October 28, 1955, three copies of which are enclosed.

The above data is furnished for your information and should not be disseminated to unauthorized persons or agencies.

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cc: (1) AAG William F. Tompkins
(encl.) (under separate cover)

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Title:

CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON
Applicant
United Nations Educational, Scientific
and Cultural Organization
Paris, France
LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE
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Report of:

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Date and Place:

October 28, 1955
Washington, D.C.

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October 28, 1955
Washington, D.C.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

Files of the Passport Office of the U.S. Department of State, disclosed that Passport No. 667582 was issued to the applicant on June 5, 1952, for an intended visit of approximately three months duration to various European countries. The applicant noted that he was to represent the Board of Foreign Scholarships (U.S. State Department) and intended to visit the U.S. Educational Foundations in the various countries. This passport was renewed on August 3, 1955, for the expressed purpose of visiting universities in several European countries. The passport file reflected no information reflecting adversely upon Mr. JOHNSON.

Files of the Security Office of the State Department,
as well as those of [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

DATE: October 1, 1955

FILE: ILB:mhm **AAG 9121155**
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TO: Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

NAME JOHNSON, Charles Spurgeon (138-3218)		DATE OF BIRTH July 24, 1893
<input type="checkbox"/> EMPLOYEE	INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APPLICANT NTE 90 days	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Paris, France	

STAT 6 10 30 PM '55
Your Bureau conducted investigation in this case under provisions of Executive Order 10422, as amended. The disposition made of the case by the International Organizations Employees Loyalty Board is indicated below:

- ☒ A favorable advisory loyalty determination was forwarded to the head of the above international organization.
- ☒ An unfavorable advisory loyalty determination was forwarded to the head of the above international organization. *
- ☐ A summary report of derogatory suitability information, other than loyalty, was forwarded to the head of the above international organization.
- ☒ Resigned or otherwise separated from employment or withdrew from consideration prior to a decision (see explanation below). Completed UNESCO assignment (less than 90 days) prior to determination of International Organizations Employees Loyalty Board.)

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*Disposition by the international agency has been requested. Your Bureau will be notified of final action.

T. Paul Fairbank
Executive Secretary
International Organizations
Employees Loyalty Board
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In reply refer to
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WASHINGTON

Dept. of State, ISS/IPS, Margaret P. Grafeld, Dir.

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With concurrence (not) obtained

IPS by *H. H. H.* Date *2/21/08*
SEP 12 1955

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TO: The Honorable
J. Edgar Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation.

FROM: Dennis A. Flinn,
Director,
Office of Security. *Dg*

SUBJECT: CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON
Applicant
United Nations Educational, Scientific and
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Paris, France
LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS
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Reference is made to your memorandum of August 26, 1955
requesting information as to whether or not affiliation with
the United States Commission for UNESCO (member Executive
Committee) falls within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

The basic law governing appointments to the U. S. National
Commission to UNESCO, Public Law 565, 79th Congress, Second
Session, provides

"the Secretary of State shall cause to be organized
a National Commission on Educational, Scientific, and
Cultural Cooperation of not to exceed one hundred members.
Such Commission shall be appointed by the Secretary of
State and shall consist of (a) not more than sixty
representatives of principal national, voluntary organiza-
tions interested in educational, scientific, and cultural
matters; and (b) not more than forty outstanding persons
selected by the Secretary of State, including not more
than ten persons holding office under or employed by the
Government of the United States, not more than fifteen
representatives of the educational, scientific, and
cultural interests of State and local governments, and

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not more than fifteen persons chosen at large. The Secretary of State is authorized to name in the first instance fifty of the principal national voluntary organizations, each of which shall be invited to designate one representative for appointment to the National Commission."

The law further provides that one-third of the members shall serve a term of one year, one-third a term of two years, and one-third a term of three years, to constitute the initial National Commission, and thereafter members shall be appointed for a term of three years each, but no member shall serve more than two consecutive terms. The National Commission shall meet at least once annually. No member of the Commission shall be allowed any salary or other compensation for services except travel expenses not to exceed \$10 per diem. The National Commission is further authorized to call special conferences of experts who are likewise remunerated and the Department of State is authorized to provide the necessary Secretariat for the Commission.

The law makes no provision for investigation or security clearance of the individual members of the National Commission and these members are not considered employees of the Department of State and do not come under the provisions of Executive Order 10450. However, since the Secretary has the responsibility for the selection of members of the U. S. National Commission to UNESCO the Department of State initiates appropriate inquiries on nominees to aid in the selection process. These inquiries are usually limited to name checks in national agencies as members do not need to have access to classified information of the Department of State.

With respect to Mr. Johnson, this office has been informed by the Department's Bureau of International Organization that Mr. Johnson is not presently a member of the U. S. National Commission for UNESCO.